

June 7, 1972

Mr. Art Lennon
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Dear Mr. Lennon:

Thank you for your letter of June 2nd.

I am afraid that we do not endorse the practice of providing milk to workers as a means of preventing lead poisoning. It is true that over the years this practice has been common. There appears, however, to be no scientific basis for the practice and in our opinion, it is unwise to encourage employees to practice preventive measures which are unproductive.

I am enclosing a copy of the booklet FACTS ABOUT LEAD AND INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE in which the daily ration of milk is characterized as a fallacy. Also enclosed, for your information, is a copy of the Kehoe chapter in Patty INDUSTRIAL LEAD POISONING.

On another matter, LIA will be holding a session at Trail, B.C., on July 18-19, to discuss occupational health matters relating to lead. You will be receiving an invitation soon. Perhaps, if you attend this meeting you may obtain some information pertinent to your industrial hygiene program.

Sincerely,

J. F. Cole, Sc.D.
Director, Environmental Health

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